IN THE PHANTOM JUNGLE, THERE ARE ALWAYS STRANGE THINGS...
COME TO ME.
AN EXAMPLE.. LADY OF THE LAKE.. WHO LURED MEN TO DISASTER.
AMONG STRANGE ONES.. QUEEN KA'O'LA..
..WHO STUFFED LATE HUSBANDS..
FALK & BARRY 11-5
THE LITTLE PEOPLE.. KNOWN ONLY TO ME.
PRINCE VLAD?
HMM?
NOW THE LATEST... KING BONGONG!
A REMOTE OBSCURE TRIBE.. THE BJONGA...
WE WANT NEW KING.. YOU.. NO GOOD. WE WANT GOOD.. POWER.. RICHES..
WAIT! I'LL BRING YOU.. ALL .. FOOD.. POWER.. WEALTH..
HOW?
I.. HAVE IDEA.
BEGINNING KING BONGONG!
THE OBSCURE BJONGA TRIBE ON THE WARPATH...
..LED BY THEIR GIANT KING.. BONGONG...
..SPREADING PANIC AMONG JUNGLEFOLK!
?!
?!

!!
TALES OF THE GIANT KING BONGONG SPREAD...
..MORE AND MORE...
..SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE!
BAM
THE TALKING DRUMS SPREAD THE NEWS...
BJONGA ATTACK.. WITH GIANT KING BONGONG..
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EVEN TO THE DEEP WOODS AND THE PHANTOM...
BJONGO.. KING.. BONGONG
WHO ARE THEY, GURAN?
I KNOW NOT. I WILL LEARN, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
CONT'D
BRING US BASKETS OF GOLD..OR WE DESTROY YOU.
!!
THE FIERCE BJONGA WARRIORS AND THEIR GIANT KING BONGONG!
UH..YES...
FALK & BARRY 11-11
THIS IS ALL OUR GOLD.
WE SEARCH. IF WE FIND MORE..WE KILL ALL OF YOU!
UH..MAYBE WE..MISSED SOME.. WE LOOK AGAIN..
THIS IS ALL..NO MORE..

NEXT VICTIMS.. THE PEACEFUL WAMBESI...
BJONGA.. KING BONGONG!
FALK & BARRY 11-13
GIVE US 1,000 CATTLE..OR WE DESTROY YOU!
ONE THOUSAND?
WE.. DARE NOT SAY NO...
KING BONGONG STEALS WAMBESI CATTLE..PHANTOM ..HELP...
BUT THE MESSAGE GETS OUT.. ALL THE WAY...
KING BONGONG..STEALS WAMBESI CATTLE..PHANTOM..HELP...
!
GURAN..WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED OF THIS KING BONGONG?
A TERRIBLE GIANT, O GHOST WHO WALKS...
"..SMASHING VILLAGE WALLS..LIKE STRAW..
CRASH!
"..FELLING ELEPHANTS AND RHINOS LIKE RABBITS!"
BAM
THIS GIANT KING BONGONG.. FLATTENS ELEPHANTS, RHINOS, VILLAGES WITH HIS CLUB?
SO THEY SAY.
CAN THIS BE EXAGGERATION, GURAN?
I KNOW NOT, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
I WILL GO TO SEE THIS MARVEL.
I GO WITH YOU.

GURAN, CHIEF OF THE PYGMY POISON PEOPLE.
I GO TO SEE THIS GIANT KING BONGONG.
I GO WITH YOU, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
FALK & BARRY 11-18
I WORK BEST ALONE. BESIDES, THERE'LL BE DANGER.
THERE ALWAYS IS. I WISH TO SEE HIM.
THEN COME.
THE GIANT,, THE BJONGA,, WENT THAT WAY, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
WE THANK YOU.
?
THE GIANT DID THIS WITH HIS CLUB? YOU SAW IT?
NO, WE RAN AWAY.
WHEN WE CAME BACK,, WE FOUND THIS.
MORE VICTIMS OF THE GIANT.
A TERRIBLE MONSTER!
TURN BACK, PHANTOM,, EVEN YOU CANNOT FACE THE GIANT. SAVE YOURSELF.
AT LEAST HE'S EASY TO FIND, GURAN.
DO WE WANT TO FIND HIM?
HERE THEY COME, GURAN. WE'LL WAIT HERE.
!
WITH DRUMS, HORNS AND SCREAMS,, THE FIERCE BJONGA AND THEIR GIANT KING BONGONG!

THE FIERCE BJONGA HORDES STOP...
THE GIANT KING BONGONG.. SITTING DOWN. WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THAT, GURAN?
ER.. NOTHING. HE IS BIG, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
THE FIERCE HORDE OF BJONGA AND THEIR GIANT KING BONGONG.. AFTER A PAUSE...
THEY MOVE ON.. WITH TERRIFYING SCREAMS...
NOW, I GO TO MEET THIS GIANT, GURAN
I (GULP) GO, TOO, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
I GO WITH YOU TO MEET THE GIANT.
STAY HERE, GURAN. I WILL NEED YOU LATER.
YOU WILL NEED ME? GOOD. I WAIT, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
ONLY WAY I COULD GET HIM TO REMAIN.. OUT OF DANGER.
NOW FOR THE GIANT.
AS HE RIDES TO MEET THE GIANT KING BONGONG...
THE BJONGA HORDE STARES.. AMAZED.. NO ONE EVER.. RIDES TOWARDS THEM!
??!!
FALK & BARRY 11-26
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WHO IS THIS BOLD FOOL WHO CHARGES AT US?
MASKED MAN. A BANDIT?
HAR HAR,, HE COMES TO ROB US. HAR HAR...

ROB US? HAR HAR,, WE SPEAR HIM.
OR USE THE CLUB OF BONGONG.
LET HIM COME. WE WILL SEE WHAT HE IS.

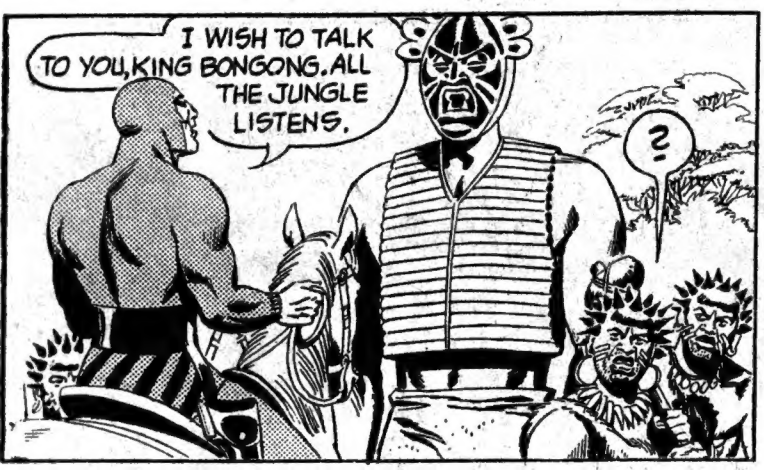
THE FIERCE BJONGA AND THEIR GIANT KING.
WHO IS THIS WHO COMES?
WE FIND OUT NOW!

RECEPTION COMMITTEE WAITING,, WITH THE GIANT,,

NOT,, WHAT I EXPECTED,,!

! YOU ARE A BIG ONE, KING BONGONG!

NO BANDIT. IS,, PHANTOM!
GHOST WHO WALKS.
MAN WHO CANNOT DIE.
WE WILL SEE!


I WISH TO TALK TO YOU, KING BONGONG. ALL THE JUNGLE LISTENS.
?

AT A SAFE DISTANCE,, WAMBESI AND OTHERS CONQUERED BY KING BONGONG.
LOOK!

MAD MAN. NONE MAY TALK TO OUR KING BONGONG. ON YOUR KNEES TO HIM.
GLADLY.
NOW WE'LL TALK.. FACE TO FACE, BONGONG.
!!
JUNGLEFOLK CONQUERED BY BONGONG
WATCH AT A SAFE DISTANCE...
PYGMY CHIEF GURAN...
PHANTOM SAID ..WAIT 'TIL HE NEEDS ME. NOW?
SPEAK, KING BONGONG. THE JUNGLE WAITS TO HEAR YOUR VOICE.
NOW, AS THE JUNGLE WATCHES, THE PHANTOM DIES!
WE CANNOT KILL HIM.
HE IS GHOST WHO WALKS.. CANNOT DIE.
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HE WILL DIE. AS ALL WATCH, GREAT BONGONG WILL CRUSH HIM LIKE AN INSECT!
NOT TALKING, BONGONG? HOW ABOUT YOUR FACE? WE WANT TO SEE YOUR REAL FACE.
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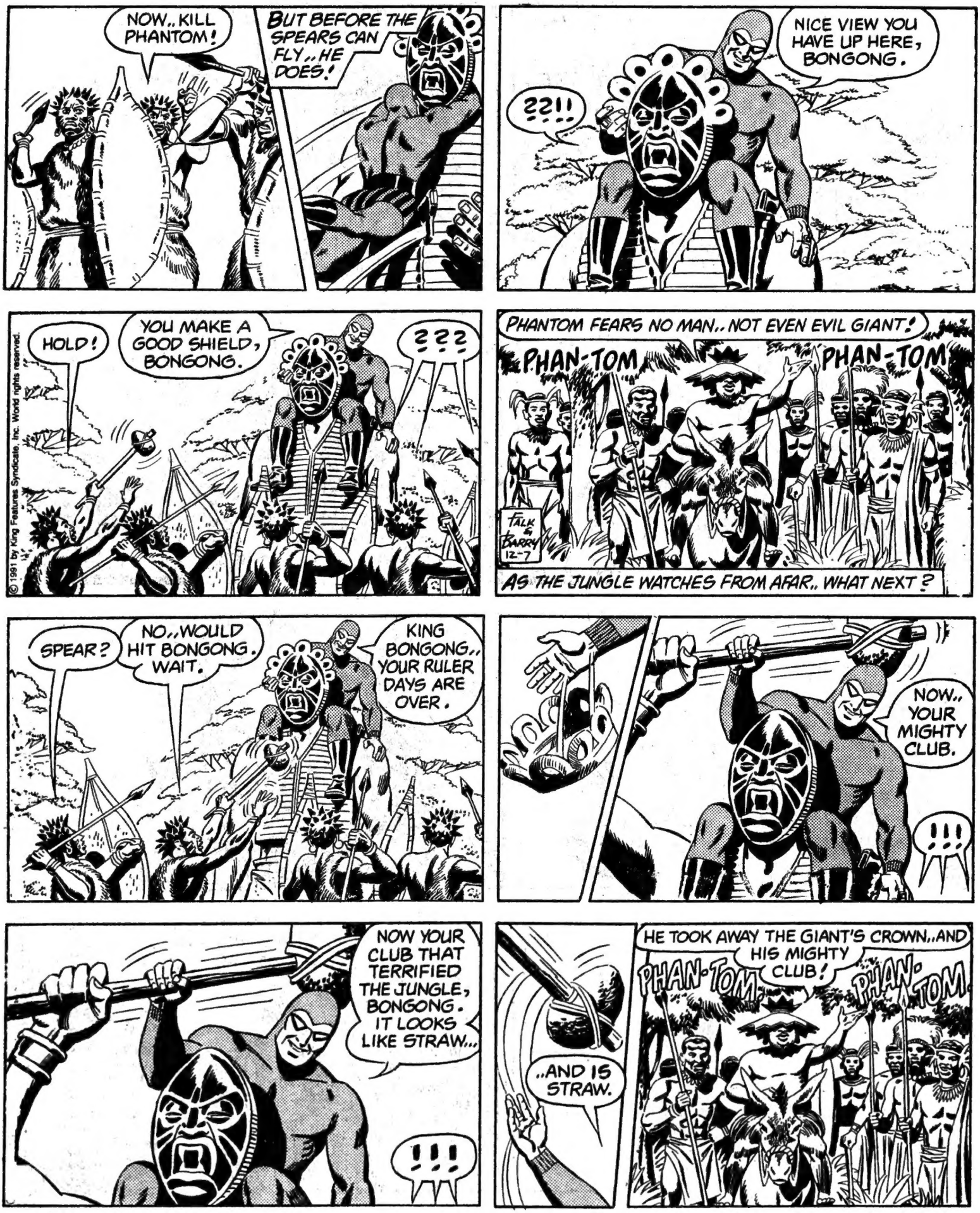
WE WANT TO SEE WHO'S BEHIND THE MASK NOW, BONGONG!
!!!
THEY CAN-NOT SEE HIS FACE. RAISE YOUR SPEARS..
NOW.. KILL PHANTOM!


NOW.. KILL PHANTOM!
BUT BEFORE THE SPEARS CAN FLY.. HE DOES!
NICE VIEW YOU HAVE UP HERE, BONGONG.
??!!
HOLD!
YOU MAKE A GOOD SHIELD, BONGONG.
???
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PHANTOM FEARS NO MAN.. NOT EVEN EVIL GIANT!
PHAN-TOM
PHAN-TOM
TALK & BARRY 12-7
AS THE JUNGLE WATCHES FROM AFAR.. WHAT NEXT?
SPEAR?
NO.. WOULD HIT BONGONG. WAIT.
KING BONGONG.. YOUR RULER DAYS ARE OVER.
NOW.. YOUR MIGHTY CLUB.
!!!
NOW YOUR CLUB THAT TERRIFIED THE JUNGLE, BONGONG. IT LOOKS LIKE STRAW..
!!!
..AND IS STRAW.
HE TOOK AWAY THE GIANT'S CROWN.. AND HIS MIGHTY CLUB!
PHAN-TOM
PHAN-TOM

STOP HIM!
NOT UP THERE. BUT HE MUST COME DOWN,, AND THEN,,
BONGONG, THE JUNGLE-FOLK WANT TO SEE THE FACE,,,
,, BEHIND THIS MASK.
!!
THEY CANNOT,, SEE HIS FACE!
!!
CLOSE!
NOW,, YOUR MASK! YOUR REAL FACE!
!!!
BONGONG!
THE TERRIFYING GIANT OF THE BJONGA!
DON'T HURT,, ME. I WAS NOT BAD.
,, A BOY!
KING BONGONG OF THE BJONGA!
PLEASE,, I AM GOOD BOY. DON'T HURT ME.
DON'T BE AFRAID. I WON'T HURT YOU.
HIS FACE! NOT A DEMON,, NOT A MONSTER,,
THEY SEE HIM. WILL NOT FEAR HIM. NOW WHAT?
NO MORE USE TO US. KILL BOTH.
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THEY MADE ME DO IT. I AM GOOD BOY. (SOB SOB)
KING BONGONG REVEALED,, A GIANT BOY.
SOMETHING ELSE REVEALED,,,
POOR OVERGROWN BOY. TOO WEAK TO STAND,,,
???
BONGONG CAN'T HELP US ANY MORE. THEY'VE SEEN HIM. KILL!
BUT THE PHANTOM MOVES FASTER,,,
NO LONGER NEEDED. YOU'RE FIRED.
!
BONGONG,, GOING THE WRONG WAY!
OHHHH
!
THE 500-POUND GIANT FALLS,,HARD!
BAM

WHERE IS THAT MASKED DEMON? I'LL SMASH HIM!
HE'S UNDER BONGONG!
THE WATCHING JUNGLEFOLK...!
PHANTOM.. BEAT GIANT! GIANT DOWN!
PHANTOM..
PHANTOM..!
FALK & BARRY 12-20
STUNNED.. THE PHANTOM CRAWLS OUT FROM UNDER BONGONG.
UH..
THERE HE IS. THE MASKED DEMON. HE DIES!
GURAN AND THE ANGRY JUNGLEFOLK CHARGE!
PHAN-TOM. PHAN-TOM..
DEVIL.. TRAINED TO LEAP FOR THE WEAPON...
!!
HERO JOINS IN! ..SAVED BY HIS ANIMALS!
!!!
PHAN-TOM.. PHAN-TOM!
LED BY GURAN.. THE JUNGLEFOLK CHARGE.
LOOK. THEY NO LONGER FEAR US!
UH.. NOW I KNOW.. HOW IT FEELS.. TO HAVE AN ELEPHANT FALL ON YOU...

BONGONG, 500-POUND GIANT!
ME,,HUNGRY...
UP YOU GO, BIG BOY.
PHANTOM,,YOU DESTROY TERRIBLE GIANT.
PHAN-TOM..
PHAN-TOM..
NOT A TERRIBLE GIANT, GURAN. AN OVERGROWN BOY. STAY AND PROTECT HIM.
ME,, PROTECT ,, HIM?
LET'S GET THOSE BJONGA.
!!!!!
BONGONG'S PEOPLE,, THE BJONGA,,
ALL THOSE BIG TRIBES,, AFTER US!
THE REAL KING OF THIS GANG!
!!
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NOT SO BRAVE WITHOUT YOUR FALSE GIANT.
THEY'LL KILL US,, SAVE US, PHANTOM!
FURIOUS WAMBESI AND LLONGO SURROUND THEM...
KILL! KILL!
WE GIVE UP!
FALK & BARRY
12-28

ROB US.. DEATH! DESTROY VILLAGES..
ANGRY JUNGLEFOLK.. SURROUND THE WARRING BJONGA ...
WAIT.. MEN OF WAMBESI AND LLONGO.. FOR THE COUNCIL OF CHIEFS TO DECIDE.
HERE IS THE REAL LEADER.. BON.. HOLD HIM FOR THEIR JUDGMENT!
!
BAM
HOW IS OUR GENTLE GIANT BONGONG?
HUNGRY.
TOO WEAK TO WALK. WHAT CAN BE DONE, O GHOST WHO WALKS?
BRING JOOMBA FROM THE DEEP WOODS. A PROPER STEED FOR THIS BIG BOY.
JOOMBA TRUMPETS AT THE SIGHT OF HIS MASTER.
BONGONG.. CAN YOU STAND UP?
WILL.. TRY.. NO...
NOW.. TOGETHER.. UP..!
UHH..
UUH..
UP YOU GO, BONGONG.
LIFTING A TEN-FOOT, 500-POUND 15-YEAR-OLD. NOT SO EASY...
HERE YOU GO!
WHEW!
MADE IT!
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A RARE JUNGLE PROCESSION...
!!!
!!?
!!?
DR. AXEL'S JUNGLE HOSPITAL
WHAT,, HAVE YOU BROUGHT US?
DR. AXEL'S JUN
A PATIENT. A RARITY. A 15-YEAR-OLD, TEN-FOOT GIANT IN NEED OF MEDICINE AND CARE.
HOW'LL WE GET HIM INTO THE HOSPITAL?
WE CAN'T.
WHAT THEN?
L'S JUNGLE HOSPITAL
PORRIDGE FOR THE GIANT.
HEAVY!
,,A SHOVEL FOR A SPOON...
GOOD,, YUM... MORE...
WE CAN'T GET HIM INTO THE HOSPITAL.
BUILD THE HOSPITAL OVER HIM.
ALREADY GAINED TEN POUNDS,, HE WAS HALF STARVED. BUILDING A SHELTER.
FALK & BARRY 1-7
YOU GO? YOU COME BACK TO BONGONG, FATHER.
I WILL COME BACK.
I PROMISE.
A WEAK GIANT, TORMENTED AND TEASED,, CALLS HIM FATHER. PROBABLY FIRST PERSON EVER KIND TO HIM.

THE COUNCIL OF CHIEFS...
WE JUDGE THE BJONGA, WHO RAIDED OUR LANDS, STOLE CATTLE AND GOLD. DESTROYED VILLAGES...
...LED BY THEIR "KING" THE FALSE GIANT BONGONG..
..."THEIR REAL LEADER, THE MISERABLE CREATURE BEFORE YOU, CALLED, BON...
PHANTOM, YOU TELL US THE BJONGA GIANT IS ONLY A WEAK BOY.
YES, A RARITY. AT TEN FEET, POSSIBLY THE TALLEST HUMAN ON EARTH.
"THEN HOW DID HE SMASH VILLAGES WITH HIS MIGHTY CLUB?"
NONE OF YOU REMAINED TO WATCH. YOU WERE TOLD OF IT BY HIS PEOPLE.
CHIEFS, YOU WERE TOLD THE GIANT DESTROYED WITH HIS MIGHTY CLUB...
"AFTER THE PEOPLE FLED, THE BJONGA WARRIORS DID IT,,"
THIS IS THE MIGHTY CLUB, MADE OF STRAW...
!!!!
THE MIGHTY CLUB OF BONGONG, STRAW!
WE WERE DECEIVED BY THESE EVIL PEOPLE, ROBBED...
VILLAGES DESTROYED, PEOPLE HURT. IS ANY PUNISHMENT ENOUGH, PHANTOM?
CHIEF, I'M SURE YOU'LL THINK OF ONE.

CHIEF BON OF BJONGA,, FOR YOUR CRIMES WE SENTENCE YOU,, TO RETURN ALL OUR STOLEN GOODS,,
,,TO REBUILD ALL YOU DESTROYED,, TO DO THIS,,,
,,YOU AND YOUR MEN WILL WORK TEN YEARS FOR US!
!!
!!
MIGHTY CHIEFS,, HOW CAN WE ALL WORK TEN YEARS FOR YOU. WE ALL HAVE WIVES, CHILDREN.
WE'RE EASY ON YOU. IN OUR FATHERS' TIME,,
,,YOU'D ALL LOSE YOUR HEADS!
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BUZZ.. BUZZ.. BUZZ
WE ARE MERCIFUL. HALF YOUR MEN WILL WORK HALF YEAR, THEN THE OTHER HALF. FOR TEN YEARS.
BUT YOU, EVIL BON, WILL WORK EVERY DAY,,,
TALK & BARRY 1-14
PHANTOM, HOW DID YOU KNOW THE GIANT WAS FALSE..A WEAK BIG BOY ?
I DIDN'T KNOW, CHIEFS,,
,,UNTIL I GOT CLOSER,,,
"THEN I SAW,, HE WAS PROPPED UP FROM BEHIND,,,
"HIS CLUB WAS STRAW ,,AND, UNMASKED, HE WAS A FRIGHTENED CHILD."
FELLAS, LET'S SEE HOW OUR BIG BOY IS.
DR. AXEL'S JUNGLE HOSPITAL
DOING FINE. NEVER STOPS EATING. GIVING HIM VITAMINS AND MEDICATION HIS HUGE BODY NEEDS.
HE KEEPS ASKING FOR YOU.
BONGONG,, HOW ARE YOU ?
I AM GOOD, FATHER. YOU TAKE ME HOME SOON ?

YOU BE MY REAL FATHER. TAKE ME HOME.
ER,, BONGONG, ARE YOU READY TO TRAVEL? HOW DO YOU FEEL?
I AM GOOD. I FEEL STRONG NOW.
SEE?
AT FIFTEEN, HE'LL PROBABLY GROW EVEN MORE. NEVER BE COMPLETELY NORMAL,, NEEDS MEDICATION TO KEEP ALIVE,,,
HIS PEOPLE HERE. TO TAKE HIM BACK.
BONGONG, WE WANT YOU TO COME HOME,, TO BE OUR REAL KING.
?!
YOU WANT BONGONG TO BE YOUR KING? HE'S ALMOST WELL,, BUT,, ER,, NOT TOO SMART.
WE KNOW.
WE HAD KING TOO SMART.
HE BRINGS US WAR,, TROUBLE. SMART IS NO GOOD.
WE GET PEACE WITH KING,, NOT SMART,, LIKE OTHER KINGS.
?
BONGONG,, THEY WANT YOU TO BE THEIR REAL KING.
NO. I GO WITH YOU. YOU ARE GOOD.
I NEVER KNOW FATHER. NOW.. YOU FATHER. YOU TAKE GOOD CARE ME.
A DIFFICULT SITUATION. FELLAS, GOT ANY IDEAS?
?
?

COME BACK, BONGONG. BE OUR KING.
NO,, YOU TEASE ME. PLAY TRICKS,, DON'T FEED ME. MAKE FUN.
NOT NOW,, WHEN YOU ARE REAL KING.
NO!
HE CAN STAY WITH ME FOR A TIME. WHEN HE'S READY, HE'LL RETURN.
HERE'S HIS MEDICATION. MUST TAKE IT. ALSO, HE'LL HAVE TROUBLE WALKING TOO FAR OR FAST...
OKAY, GURAN..
..BRING JOOMBA.
SEE,, I CAN DO..
VERY GOOD.
WE'VE HAD MANY RECOVERED PATIENTS LEAVE,, BUT NONE LIKE THIS ONE.
NEAR THE DEEP WOODS... PHANTOM-HEAD PEAK.
WE'RE RELATED.
LOOKS LIKE YOU!
GIANT MEETS PYGMY BANDAR..
!
!!
THEN,, INTO THE SECRET ENTRANCE,, HOME OF THE PHANTOM!
A GUEST,, FOR A FEW DAYS. BONGONG,, MY CHILDREN,, KIT AND HELOISE. MY WIFE, DIANA.
..FATHER,, MOTHER.
KIT,, HELOISE,, BROTHER,, SISTER...
HI, BONGONG.
OH,,
DON'T WORRY. HE'S GENTLE AS A KITTEN.
TALK & BARRY 1-25
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COME,, QUICKLY,, YOUR CHILDREN,,,
?
,,WITH YOUR GENTLE GIANT.
GIDDYAP, HORSEY.
NO,, YOU'RE AN ELEPHANT.
ME,, JOOMBA!
THEY LOVE HIM!
AW,,
CATCH,, CATCH.
BUTTERFINGERS!
I SEE YOU, HELOISE!
HELOISE AND KIT,, TEACH THE BIG BOY THEIR GAMES,,,
FOR THE FIRST TIME, BONGONG LAUGHS,, LIKE DISTANT THUNDER,,,
HAHA!
HEHE!
HOHO HO!
I'LL BET HE'S NEVER PLAYED BEFORE.
COME ON, SLOWPOKE!
PUFF- PUFF. NOT,, SO,, FAST!
THRU THE WOODS, GUARDED BY THEIR PET SABA,,,
FALK & BARRY 1-29
SLOWPOKE,,
WEEKS PASS,,
HEY,, SLOW UP,,
AMAZING,, WHAT THE CHILDREN HAVE DONE FOR HIM,,
AND WHAT YOU'VE DONE,,,
FUN IN THE DEEP WOODS,,
FALK & BARRY 1-30
MEALS,, FAMILY STYLE,,,
BONGONG,, PASS THE BERRIES,, NOT THE BIG ONE, DOPEY.
ME DOPEY,,
I,, AM,, HAPPY!

WHERE'S BONGONG GOING, HELOISE?
HE SAID HE HAD A SURPRISE.
FALK & BARRY 1-31

MY PEOPLE ARE WAITING FOR ME,, I AM READY. I GO.
!!!!

YES, WE WILL VISIT EACH OTHER. IT'S A LONG WALK HOME,, WANT TO RIDE ON JOOMBA?
KISS KISS KISS
NO,, I WALK WITH MY PEOPLE. GOODBYE,, BROTHER,, SISTER,,

,,FATHER,, MOTHER,,
KISS KISS
GOODBYE, DEAR BOY.
BE HAPPY NOW.

FAREWELL,, TO GENTLE GIANT BONGONG.